## Doctor of Laws, honoris causa

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Treasurer, may I present to you and to this Convocation Emily F. Carasco, and request that you confer upon her the degree of Doctor of Laws, honoris causa.

Emily Carasco entered the study of law at a time when women were choosing to do so in increasing numbers. Many of these women sought not only to challenge the predominantly male composition of the profession, but also to use their skills to challenge laws of this country that discriminated on the basis of gender and race. Indoing so, they demanded that the legal profession honour its obligation to provide access to justice for all citizens.

Throughout her distinguished career, Emily Carasco has continued to question challenge and change. She has been a professor of law at the University of Windsor since 1980, and is a well-respected member of the feminist legal academic community. Her thoughtful and disciplined analyses of issues of discrimination have served not only to educate, but also to provoke acknowledgement, discussion and strategic thinking.

In addition to her academic contributions, she has worked tirelessly in the political arena to eliminate discrimination at the grassroots level.

It is through the work of those such as Emily Carasco that the legal profession remains relevant, current and true to its obligations.

Emily Carasco is deserving of the highest honour this Society can give, and I request you, Sir, to confer upon her the degree of Doctor of Laws, honoris causa.